CBSC STAFF REPORT 2004 Annual Cycle Monograph Item 15

PROPOSING STATE AGENCY:

Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD 2/04)

APPLICATION AFFECTED:

Privately-funded Residential Buildings, Employee Housing, Factory-built Housing, and Permanent Buildings in Mobile Home Parks

SUBJECT:

Adopt the most recent edition of the model code in effect at the submittal of the 2004 Annual Cycle, the 2003 Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC) as Part 4, California Mechanical Code (CMC), and repeal the 2000 UMC:

- Amend scoping in Chapter 1 to define further the application of HCD's regulations.
- Update statutory authority references, including sections pertaining to the Special Occupancy Parks Act of 2004.
- Incorporate reference to the accessibility provisions in Chapter 11A of Part 2, 2001 California Building Code.
- Clarify certain terms through amendments of definitions in Chapter 2.
- Amend Chapter 9 to add requirements for access to warm-air furnaces, left out of the 2003 UMC

FINDINGS:

CBSC Code Advisory Committee Comments/Recommendations

CBSC's Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical, and Energy (PEME CAC) recommended approve as amended for Subitem 15-18, Access to specific equipment; and approve as submitted and resubmitted for the balance of the subitems

(See pages 3-79 through 3-122 of the May, 2005 Code Change Monograph, Volume III.)

Public Comment & Agency Response to Comments:

<u>Sub-item 15-19:</u> Commenter #1 is Richard D. Nelson, representing T-Drill Industries. Mr. Nelson voiced approval of HCD's adoption of §1201.2.1.4.2.1 of Chapter 12, Hydronics, unamended. (See page 90 of the October, 2005 Public Comment Monograph.)

Response by Agency: HCD acknowledged the comment and the need to make no changes to the regulations. (See pages 1 and 3 of the Final Statement of Reasons, which follows this report.)

Staff Findings

CBSC staff notes that HCD did not concur with PEME CAC's recommendation to approve as amended Sub-item 15-18 to align with language submitted by SFM. HCD's submittal appears to be compliant with the Administrative Procedure Act and Building Standards Law.

COMMISSION ACTION:

For efficiency, staff recommends that the Commission act on the uncontested sub-items in one motion, and act on the remaining sub-items individually. The Commission may wish to consider together Sub-item 13-8 for SFM and Sub-item 15-18 for HCD, which co-amend §904 for access to warm air furnaces, per Staff Findings above.

The Commission may take any one of the following actions on these sub-items, then act on Item 15 as a whole:

- Approve
- Disapprove
- Approve as Amend
- Further Study